Order No. 43 published in Part I of the Gazette dated 23rd Chingam 1116 is a born Cochinite;

(*b*) whether Government be pleased to inform the House about the truth of his nationality after making proper enquiries;

(*c*) whether the above-mentioned Govindan Ezhuthassan's name is included in the waiting list published as No. 223 in the Gazette, dated 16th Mithunam 1115?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) & (*b*) He is a domiciled subject of the State.

(*c*) No.

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RUBBER, TEA, COFFEE, CARDAMOMS AND CASHEWS—AREA UNDER CULTIVATION

342. Mr. V. J. Mathai *(Planters):* Will Government be pleased to state the areas in the State under plantation of.—

(*a*) Rubber;

(*b*) Tea;

(*c*) Coffee;

(*d*) Cardamoms and

(*e*) Cashews?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) 12,881·19 acres.

(*b*) 3,811·74 acres.

(*c*) 2,143·96 acres.

(*d*) 819 acres.

(*e*) 7,033·38 acres.

An area of 911·88 acres is also under cultivation of Cardamom, Coffee and tea together.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* May I know, Sir, whether people who plant these items are planters?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):* These are the chief items which constitute planters.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* What I want to know is, there are people who plant cocoanuts and other things. Would they also be called planters?

Mr. President: People plant some ideas also. *(Laughter.)*

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* They are idea planters. What I wanted is whether people who plant cocoanuts, arecanuts, etc., also will be entitled to be called planters, or whether those who plant rubber, tea, etc., alone would constitute planters?

Mr. President: That does not arise here. It is all electoral reform which does not arise here.

KOOVAPADAM RECLAMATION SCHEMES AND CANALS IN MATTANCHERI

343. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) the date on which they first received the suggestion to reclaim or improve the area known as Koovapadam in Mattancheri from the Mattancheri Municipality.

(*b*) the date on which the Municipality asked for the services of a Revenue Inspector to make a valuation statement of the area to be reclaimed;

(*c*) the date on which the Revenue Inspector was actually deputed for making valuation statements for the Koovapadam area;

(*d*) the date on which the Revenue Inspector actually made the report containing the valuation statements;

(*e*) the reasons for the delay, if any, in submitting the report regarding the valuation by the Revenue Inspector;

(*f*) the total area for reclamation in the Koovapadam area;

(*g*) whether anyone from the Engineering Department has been deputed to make an estimate of the probable cost of reclaiming and levelling the area;

(*h*) if so, the total estimate of costs for reclaiming the area;

(*i*) if the full scheme of reclamation and improvement of the Koovapadam area has been received by Government as conceived by the Municipality, will Government be pleased to place on the table of the House a note on the pith and substance of the scheme?

Mr. P. V. Raphael *(Joint Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) 11th January 1939.

(*b*) 10th August 1939.

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